

REMARKS

Claims 1-60 are pending in this application. Claim 42 is amended to correct a minor typographical error.

Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has requested an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 among various inventions identified in the originally filed claims of the application, the claim groups and inventions being identified as:

- Group I Claims 53, 1-36, and 59, 47-52 and 60, drawn to an evaluation apparatus of a liquid crystal display device, classified in class 324, subclass 750;
- Group II Claims 54-55, 37-40 drawn to an evaluation method of a liquid crystal display device, classified in class 324, subclass 765; or
- Group III Claims 56-58 and 41-46, drawn to a liquid crystal display device, classified in class 345, subclass 87.

Applicants' Election of Group III

In response to this restriction requirement, the Applicants elect, without traverse, Group III including claims 41-46 and 56-58 drawn to a liquid crystal display device classified in class 345, subclass 87.

Election of Species Requirement

Because Applicants elect Group III, the Examiner further requires an Election of Species be made from the following:

- i. species in which claims 41 and 56 are drawn to a liquid crystal display device; or
- ii. species in which claims 42-46 are drawn to a different liquid crystal display device.

Applicants' Election of Species

Applicants elect Species ii and note that claims 42-46 are readable on Species ii.

Applicants submit.

Additional Information

Applicants note that claim 56 is generic to at least species i and species ii of Group III. Applicants also note that claims 57 and 58 depend from claims 41 and 56, respectively. Because claim 56 is generic to both species i and species ii of Group III, **claim 56 should be considered along with claims 42-46.**

Lastly, Applicants note that the above elections do not change the inventorship of this application.

CONCLUSION

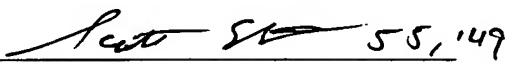
In view of the above elections, the Applicants submit that the present application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge any underpayment or non-payment of any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment of such fees, to Deposit Account No. 08-0750, including, in particular, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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